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Letter from J.S. Lemont to Frank L. Lemont, November 10, 1862

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Dear Lindley

How do you do to night it is
needless for me to tell you I want
to see you for you know your Mothers
feelings well enough for the welfare of
her children to know that my thoughts
are ever clustering around them

I get your letter dated the 2nd you
wrote you had started on a march
toward the scene of action my
anxiety is very great for you
I hope you will be preserved
from all harm, Oh how many
hearts are made to bleed on
the ~~this~~ account of this dreadful
war, is it possible that you will
be spared while so many are
falling, we have just heard
of the death of ~~the~~ George Merrill

and George Hussey died two
weeks ago with fevers Ellen
Merrill was here when her Father
brought the sad news she could
hardly bear up under it she said
how much she should miss his
letters they had been so much
company for her when she was
sick we felt as though her grief
might be ours, may the Lord
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that you done perfectly right
in doing as you have done
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careful of your health, I can
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country perhaps I don't feel
right, we are pushing up
to day shall move this week
what an undertaking have felt.

very lonesome thinking over
the change in our family since
we were doing the same one
year ago, what a contrast a loss
that never can be made up to us
I get along as well and perhaps
better than I expected when you
went away it is dreary and
discouraging yet I try to put on
all the fortitude I am capable of
the girls are very kind to me
and do all they can to assist
me ~~in~~ Josephine has been sick
did not have her clothes ^{last week} one day
but is nicely made my health is
pretty good don't give yourself
any uneasiness about us we will
let you know if there is any
trouble and you do the same
nothing ^{new} about the business at
home have had no difficulty
as yet have had nothing prized

it is almost eleven o'clock
and I must close. all send
love and marga the kids
to you and, accept much
love from your Mother
and I think
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